

Emanuel Lutheran Church
August 2026
Enlightener



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Betsy Koski ~ Christian
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Pam Bahrman ~ Cemetery
Business Manager
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Building & Property

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www.be-lutheran.org



Sunday Worship begins at 9 a.m.
August through October.

***2026/27 Worship Times at Emanuel Lutheran Church
August -October 9 AM November-February 11AM***

Birthdays Blessings

August 1-Sonny Robinson

August 4-Brian Heath

August 8-Landen Sims

August 10-Barb Bach

August 14-Freddie Beauchamp

August 16-Valerie Jordan

August 17-Jolene Kokko

August 18-Pastor Jim Duehring

August 23-Emily Bach

August 23-Kathy Tuttle

August 23-Fred Beauchamp

August 27-Amy Luedeman

Anniversary Blessings

August 3-Jesse & Leah Kainulainen

August 16-Zach & Nichole Reuter

August 19-Brian & Ellen Heath

August 23-Pastor Lloyd & Amy
Luedeman

August 29-Dale & Nina Ingalls

August 30-Kenny & Sammy Duvall



*Thank you Todd and Ronda Barr for
sponsoring the August worship bulletins
in honor of Nichole and Zach.*

Thank you for serving during worship!

Date

08/02

08/09

08/16

08/23

08/30

Lector

Barb Bach

Joint Worship Service at Bethany Lutheran Church

Christie Johnson

Betsy Koski

Patti Bergdahl

Ushers

Roger & Sarah Kimball

Jesse & Leah Kainulainen

Mark & Melissa Krans

Tom & Barb Bach

The Pastor's Piece for August 2026

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. Peter said, "I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk." And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. All the people saw him walking and praising God, and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, and they were filled with wonder and astonishment at what had happened to him. Acts 3:1-10

Greetings to you in the name of the Savior Jesus Christ!

Well, we've made it to August! My how this summer has flown by, at least it seems that way to me. How has it been for you? For me, August is a month of connection and expectation. Think about it, in August we start to look forward-expecting in our minds the return of the fall season and all of things that happen to our schedules as a result. But also in August, we have opportunity to enjoy connections with many people and events which we have been waiting for all summer long. Events like county and state fairs, many local festivals and sporting activities, not to mention visiting with friends and relatives who have returned to the area for vacations. And so, I am reminded of how the verses above from the Acts of the Apostles speaks about expectations and connections also! This story helps establish the continuity between the earthly ministry of Jesus and the Spirit-empowered work of his followers after Jesus has ascended into the heavens.

Perhaps for some it also raises questions about whether the Spirit that worked powerfully in those early days of the Church continues to work in the lives and ministries of believers today. For those of you who have been around for awhile you will remember December of 2012. Why? Because on December 5th of that year, Emanuel Lutheran church of Skandia and Bethany Lutheran church of Negaunee entered into a shared-ministry agreement at properly called congregational meetings. It was at that time that an agreement was drawn up and entered into which stated that these two congregations would share a Pastor along with some other guidelines for shared ministry. It was a Spirit led and Spirit empowered action which has continued to bear good fruit for the past 14 years! As you may know, many churches operate by an unspoken rule, one which is employed for one reason above all others, and both of our congregations are no exception! This unspoken rule, when used, brings people together-it empowers connections and expectations of a joy filled gathering! Some call it the "covered-dish-dinner rule," others the "catered-meal rule," and still others, "the coffee-and-donut rule." We Lutherans simply call it "the potluck." Christians in general understand that the presence of food can make the difference between high and low participation because it not only fills our tummies but it evokes our passion, since we love to eat! In that spirit, you are invited to attend a joint worship service in honor of nearly 15 years of shared ministry success on Sunday, August 9, 2026 at Bethany Lutheran church, located on 550 Cherry Street in Negaunee. The service will start at 10:00 am and a potluck hosted by the people of Bethany will follow. It promises to be a wonderful and astonishing day of worship, conversation, and feasting! Through our shared ministry, we not only take care of our needs and retain our individual uniqueness and agency as congregations, but we also provide and sustain vital ministries in our communities, sharing with others what we have to give-the Good News of Jesus Christ, in which we receive fulfillment and growth in the joy of serving God together. Now it's time to spend a morning together! I'm looking forward to seeing you in church and at the special joint service! Grace and peace to you, +LLL



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2026 Raffle Tickets Available !



This year we have two beautiful quilts, a “Cross Quilt” made by Connie Ritter and a “Patriotic Quilt” made by Sarah Kimball. Other raffle prizes include 3 framed art prints, a wooden quilt rack donated by Roy Shaw, a beaded necklace

and earrings set made by Christie Johnson, a wool applique project by Sarah Kimball, and a fresh evergreen wreath.

All proceeds will go toward the Digital Mapping Fund for the Emanuel and Haglund cemeteries. Tickets are \$2 each with the drawing on Saturday, November 21, 2026. See Jolene after Sunday Worship to pick up tickets to purchase or sell to others to help make this a successful fundraiser. Thank you!



*We're here
for you.*

Please let Pastor Lloyd or the church office know if you or a family member is hospitalized, ill, home-bound or in need of help. We want to be sure to be here for you, with support, prayers and visits. If you can't notify Emanuel, please ask a family member to do so. Please contact Pastor Lloyd directly at **(906)202-5006**, Emanuel is **(906)942-7245**.

Emanuel and Haglund Cemetery News

Monetary donations for the recent cemetery mapping project (website to be released soon and updated maps for kiosks) and maintenance are greatly appreciated. Donations can be made by



check to Emanuel Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 160 Skandia, Mi 49885 or via Venmo and PayPal by searching for the below names. Please be sure to indicate "cemetery" on all donations.

Please contact Pamela Bahrman the Cemetery Business Manager at 906-869-2403 or emanuelhaglundcemetery@gmail.com for further information. Thank you!

Venmo: @SkandiaEmanuel

PayPal: Emanueltds.net



Sunday, August 9th there will be a joint worship service with both Emanuel and Bethany in Negaunee at **10AM** with a potluck to follow which Bethany will do for both congregations. All members are invited to attend at Bethany Lutheran Church located at 550 Cherry Street, Negaunee.

**Learn more about the variety of classes offered
through the Northern Great Lakes Synod's
Fall Lifelong Faith Formation**



Registration is Open!
Visit the Synod website for the
class information and registration:



<https://nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation/>



Our annual world mission outreach project is now beginning with school supplies being seen and many on sale in our stores! School supply lists for Lutheran World Relief school bags are on the table near the windows in the fellowship hall. We will be collecting items and shipping them with the quilts this fall. Thank you!

Lutheran World Relief School Kits

- 4 - 70 sheet spiral notebooks
- 1 - pair of blunt scissors
- 1 - 30 centimeter ruler
- 1 - pencil sharpener
- 5 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 5 - black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 - box of 16 or 24 crayons

"Help Raise the Temperature!"

After many, many years of using the old oil furnace to heat the sanctuary at Emanuel, a new propane furnace was approved by the congregation in July.

B & G Plumbing & Heating will be installing the new propane furnace this fall with a bid of \$11,100 which includes the new furnace, two thermostats (sanctuary and offices) labor, plus removal of the old furnace. The work will take about three days to complete.

We appreciate your support with donations, please designate "furnace" when giving and thank you for helping to raise the funds for the new, more efficient furnace. At the end of June \$4,550 has been raised for the furnace, thank you!



Quilting for Lutheran World Relief resumes this summer on **Monday , August 3, 1-3PM**. We are always in need of new or gently used sheets and sewing thread for making the quilts. All are invited to join, no experience is needed and it is a fun time of fellowship with each other!

Interested in Electronic Giving?

Not everyone is able to be at our worship service every Sunday, but our mission and the expenses to make ministry happen are a daily and weekly reality. One way you can help make a more consistent donation and deepen your spiritual practice of giving is through electronic donations. Emanuel uses Vanco Services, which allows you to choose to make a gift weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. It is a safe and secure method of supporting the congregation's ministry. If you are interested in finding out more about this method of giving, please contact Pastor Lloyd or Betsy Koski.

Remember in Prayer ...

Our members, family, and friends who are ill, have health concerns, are grieving, or are in need...

our members and friends who are absent from worship.

*Paul Johnson, Mary Heath, Sally Weingartner,
Sonny Robinson, Theresa, Andy O., Scott*

*If you have a prayer request, for yourself or others, or would like to be on the prayer team, please let the office know by calling, by leaving a message at 906-942-7245, or by emailing the office at:
Emanuel@tds.net*

July Council Meeting Highlights

~Thank you notes received from the Marquette County Habitat for Humanity for the June benevolence and from the Marquette Women's Center for the May local benevolence.

~ There will be four baptisms at Emanuel this summer.

~Betsy Koski is planning to start the Adult Forum on Rally day in September. There will be an intergenerational Sunday school once a month.

~Habitat for Humanity building crews are enjoying the lunches provided by Emanuel this summer. We may supply another one in September. Quilting will resume Mondays, beginning August 3, 1-3 PM.

~The July local benevolence is to "Read UP Book Mobile" set up at Sawyer.

~ The August Council Meeting is Tuesday, August 18, at 5:30 PM.

Complete monthly minutes and financial reports are posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

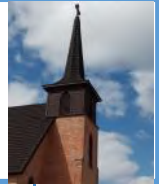


Skandia Days 2026

August 2026

Pastor Lloyd-Tuesdays 10am-2pm

Jolene -Fridays 2-5pm , Saturdays variable hours



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 9 AM Worship	3 Quilting 1-3 PM AA Mtg. 7 PM	4	5	6	7	8
9 Joint Worship at Bethany of Neg. 10 AM	10 Quilting 1-3 PM AA Mtg. 7 PM	11	12	13	14	15
16 9 AM Worship	17 Quilting 1-3 PM AA Mtg. 7 PM	18 Council Meeting 5:30 PM	19	20	21	22
23 9 AM Worship & Bap- tism	24 Quilting 1-3 PM AA Mtg. 7 PM	25	26	27	28	29
30 9 AM Worship	31 Quilting 1-3 PM AA Mtg. 7 PM					

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*Emanuel is rich in heritage,
Spreading the Word of God through service,
education and fellowship as we break bread
together in the company of Christ*

Join Us for our Sunday Services at 9 AM

*Joint Worship Service Sunday, August 9, 10AM
at Bethany Lutheran Church of Negaunee*